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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Official Action dated June 20, 2002, the period for response having been extended until September 20, 2002 by a Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time submitted herewith, Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, the invention covered by Invention I, Claims 1-28.

Early and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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